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REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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| Application Number: | 10/021,456 |
| Filing Date: | December 13, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor: | Herbert Hartgrpve |
| Group Art Unit: | 1771 |
| Examiner Name: | Jenna Leigh Befumo |
| Attorney Docket No. | PGI6044P0281US |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously-filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on.

ii. Other: _____

b. Enclosed:

i. Amendment/Reply

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement

iv. Other: _____

2. **Miscellaneous.** Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of:

a. _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees.** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

| For | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Claims Previously Paid For | Extra Claims | Small Entity | | Large Entity | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | | | | Rate | Fee | Rate | Fee |
| Basic Fee | | | | | \$385.00 | | |
| Total Claims | 8 | 15 | 0 | x \$9.00 | \$ | | |
| Indep. Claims | 1 | 3 | 0 | x \$43.00 | \$ | | |
| Multiple Dependent Claims Present | | | | + \$145.00 | \$ | | |
| | | | | TOTAL | \$ | | |
| 04/23/2004 MAHMED1 00000106 10021456 | | | | | | OR | |
| 01 FC:1801 | 770.00 | DP | | | | | \$770.00 |

A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0785.

i. RCE filing fee
 Extension of time fee
 Other _____

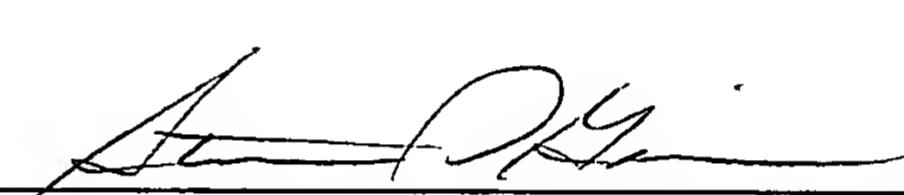
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

I hereby certify that this Request For Continued Examination Transmittal and any other documents referred to as enclosed herein, are being deposited in an envelope with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated below and addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Express Mail Label No.: EV 348822318 US

Date of Deposit: April 21, 2004

Typed/Printed Name of Person Signing: Colleen Davison

Signature: *Colleen Davison*